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Mr. Marc Luiken Commissioner Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities P.O. Box 112500 Juneau, AK 99811-1125

In Reply Refer To: PR 2-2

Dear Mr. Luiken:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have received Amendment 3 of the 2012 - 2015 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for review and approval.

In accordance with 23 CFR 450.220, the FHWA and FTA, based on the certification of the Statewide and metropolitan transportation planning process for and within the State of Alaska, hereby find that the projects described in the STIP Amendment are based on a transportation planning process that substantially meets the requirements of 23 CFR Part 450 Subparts A, B, C; 49 U.S.C. Sections 5303-5304; and 23 U.S.C. Sections 134 and 135. Therefore, the amendment is approved.

Approval of the STIP and amendments are not construed as a Federal-aid eligibility determination. Each project must satisfy the specific requirements of the program from which the federal funds are solicited, as well as the other federal requirements before federal funds are authorized.

If you have any questions concerning our joint action of this STIP amendment, please contact Mr. Kris Riesenberg, FHWA Planning Program Manager at (907) 586-7413, or Mr. Ned Conroy, FTA Community Planner at (206) 220-4318.

Sincerely,

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